

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

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1. A method for technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a network-based supply chain, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) providing locator capabilities utilizing a network;
 - (b) transmitting and receiving technology utilizing the network, wherein the technology includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing the network;
 - (c) logging events utilizing the network;
 - (d) managing user profile information utilizing the network;
 - (e) wherein steps (a)-(d) are carried out for demand and supply planning of the network.
2. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of providing locator capabilities utilizing a network includes searching criteria to identify and display a locator map.
3. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of transmitting and receiving technology includes transmitting and receiving streaming, stereo audio data.
4. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of transmitting and receiving technology includes an encryption capability.
5. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of logging events utilizing the network includes an event reporting capability.
6. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of logging events utilizing the network includes an event log management capability.

1 7. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile
2 information utilizing the network includes automatically receiving and
3 storing user identity and state.

1 8. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile
2 information utilizing the network includes automatically receiving and
3 storing user preferences and interests.

1 9. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile
2 information utilizing the network includes automatically exporting the user
3 profile information to an active profile manager.

1 10. A system for technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a
2 network-based supply chain, comprising:
3 (a) logic that provides locator capabilities utilizing a network;
4 (b) logic that transmits and receives technology, wherein the technology
5 includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing the network;
6 (c) logic that logs events utilizing the network; and
7 (d) logic that manages user profile information utilizing the network; and
8 (e) wherein logic elements (a)-(d) are executed for demand and supply planning
9 of the network.

1 11. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium for
2 technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a network-based
3 supply chain, comprising:
4 (a) a code segment that provides locator capabilities utilizing a network;
5 (b) a code segment that transmits and receives technology, wherein the
6 technology includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing
7 the network;
8 (c) a code segment that logs events utilizing the network;
9 (d) a code segment that manages user profile information utilizing the network;
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11 (e) wherein logic elements (a)-(d) are executed for demand and supply planning
12 of the network.

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1 12. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 provides locator capabilities utilizing a network provides searching criteria to
3 identify and display a locator map.

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1 13. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 transmits and receives technology transmits and receives streaming, stereo
3 audio data.

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1 14. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 transmits and receives technology transmits and receives utilizing an
3 encryption capability.

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1 15. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 logs events utilizing the network reports an event.

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1 16. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 logs events utilizing the network manages an event log.

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1 17. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 passively user profile information utilizing the network automatically
3 receives and stores user identity and state.

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1 18. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 passively managing user profile information utilizing the network
3 automatically receives and stores user preferences and interests.

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1 19. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that
2 passively manages user profile information utilizing the network,
3 automatically exports the user profile information to an active profile
4 manager.